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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

AKINS, et al.

Serial No.: 09/930,901

Filed: August 16, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2132

Examiner: Gilberto Barron Jr.

Docket No. P-7598P/US

For: **REPRESENTING ENTITLEMENTS TO SERVICE IN A CONDITIONAL
ACCESS SYSTEM**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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In regard to the above-referenced application, Applicants submit the following preliminary amendments and remarks to be respectively entered and considered prior to examination.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 20-0778.



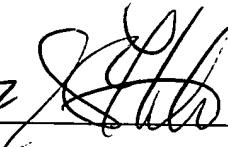
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Attached are the following documents for filing with the USPTO:

Postcard
Amendment Transmittal Form (1 Page)
Preliminary Amendment



The PATENT application of: Akins, et al.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner For Patents
Box: Non-Fee Amendment
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Response/Amendment

Fee as Calculated Below

No additional fee is required.

Small Entity status has been
established.

Terminal Disclaimer

Corrected Drawings

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED FOR LARGE ENTITY					
	Claims After Amendment	Highest Prev. Paid For	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	45	- 45	0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independent Claims	4	- 4	0	x \$84.00	= \$0.00
Total Additional Fee for this Amendment					= \$0.00

A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.

A Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 is attached in the amount of \$

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to our Deposit Account No. 20-0778 the amount of \$ for the fee identified above. A duplicate of this Amendment Transmittal Letter is included herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any insufficiencies, and the Commissioner is hereby requested to credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

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Date: 10/9/02